

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

There is provided file management capable of recovering a reference relationship easily even when a path name is changed while a file is being referred to using the path name. In a recording/reproducing apparatus for
5 managing information to be recorded/reproduced as files, using file system information having a directory hierarchical structure that can be referred to by a path name, and managing directories and files, using contents management information containing object management information referred to by object reference information on the path name, when information on a
10 recording medium is updated by a recording/reproducing part, information on the update (e.g., a unique ID) is recorded in both the file system information and the object management information.